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1. FYI. IN A JULY-OCTOBER 1976 EXCHANGE OF LETTERS BETWEEN THE CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE JOINT COMMISSION THE TOPIC OF GEOMICROBIOLOGY (01.0706) WAS APPROVED AS A JOINT ACTIVITY UNDER THE MICROBIOLOGY PROGRAM. THE JOINT COMMISSION IN THE JULY 1977 MEETING AFFIRMED THIS ACTION. ALTHOUGH A PROGRAM OF COOPERATION WAS DEVELOPED AT THE JANUARY 1977 MEETING OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP AND A US COORDINATOR NAMED, WE STILL AWAIT NAME OF SOVIET COORDINATOR. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY FOLLOW-UP WITH SHENDEREY REGARDING (A) DESIGNATION OF SOVIET COORDINATOR FOR 01.0706 AND (B) PLANNING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF 01.0705. END FYI.

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2. SEE SEPTTEL ON 01.0703. PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING LEISE LETTER TO SHENDEREY WITH COPIES TO AYKAZYAN, ISHCENKO AND DEBABOV.

01.0703 - AUGUST 9, 1977

DEPUTY MINISTER E. R. SHENDEREY
MINISTRY OF MICROBIOLOGICAL INDUSTRY
U.S.S.R. COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
LESTEVA 18
MOSCOW, U.S.S.R.

DEAR DR. SHENDEREY:

THIS IS IN FOLLOW-UP OF MY LETTER OF JULY 22 IN WHICH I
EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THREE ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY
OUR JOINT WORKING GROUP.

JAMES SHAPIRO INFORMS ME THAT IN A COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM
RECEIVED BY HIM ON AUGUST 8, DR. DEBABOV SAID THE SOVIET
SIDE IS PREPARED TO RECEIVE OUR DELEGATION SEPTEMBER 11 FOR
THE GENETICS CONFERENCE IN YEREVAN, SEPTEMBER 12-17.
HOWEVER, DR. DEBABOV APPARENTLY SUGGESTED THAT THE MEMBERS
OF OUR DELEGATION, THROUGH INTOURIST, MAKE ARRANGEMENTS
FOR TRAVEL TO INSTITUTES OUTSIDE MOSCOW AND YEREVAN. AS
YOU ARE AWARE, UNDER THE S&T AGREEMENT, THE HOST COUNTRY
UNDERTAKES RESPONSIBILITY FOR ASSURING THE NECESSARY
TRAVEL AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS, AND THE SCHEDULING OF
VISITS. DR. DEBABOV HAS DONE ADMIRABLE PREPARATORY WORK
FOR THE YEREVAN CONFERENCE, BUT I BELIEVE THERE HAS BEEN
SOME MISUNDERSTANDING REGARDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISITS
FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR
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EARLIEST ASSURANCE THAT ALL NECESSARY IN-COUNTRY ARRANGE-
MENTS FOR OUR DELEGATION'S VISIT WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF BY
THE SOVIET SIDE.

WITH REGARD TO THE PROPOSED MEETING FOR THE PROJECT 5 GROUP,
MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF INSECT PESTS, IT IS NOW
APPARENT THAT THE SEPTEMBER 5-16 TIME FRAME IS NOT
FEASIBLE. HOWEVER, I HOPE THAT YOU CAN CONFIRM BY AUGUST
15 THAT OUR DELEGATION CAN BE RECEIVED FOR THE PERIOD
SEPTEMBER 19-30. IF THESE DATES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE THEN
THE MEETING WILL HAVE TO BE POSTPONED UNTIL 1978.

WITH RESPECT TO PROJECT 6, GEOMICROBIOLOGY, I AWAIT THE
NAMES OF THE U.S.S.R. PERSONS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THIS
PROJECT.

SINCERELY,

JOSHUA M. LEISE
CHAIRMAN, U.S.SIDE OF THE U.S.-U.S.S.R.
JOINT WORKING GROUP ON THE PRODUCTION
OF SUBSTANCES BY MICROBIOLOGICAL MEANS

CC: DR. AYKAZYAN, MR. ISHCENKO, DR. DEBABOV CHRISTOPHER

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